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WEATHER REPORT.

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XMAS SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

Fine Musical Programs Arranged at the Three Episcopal Churches.

ST. MARY'S PROGRAM.

Methodists Will Have Services at Six O'clock Tomorrow Morning—Musical Program Announced.

Elaborate plans for the celebration of Christmas have been made by the various churches of Alexandria. In the three Episcopal Churches there will be fine musical programmes rendered at the morning service tomorrow. The following are the services arranged: Christ Church, St. Paul's Church and Grace Church, Episcopal, 11 o'clock. In addition there will be early communion at Grace Church at 7:30 o'clock. Immanuel Lutheran Church, 11 o'clock, Trinity, Methodist Episcopal South, and Methodist Protestant services at 6 a. m. Free Methodist, 7:30 p. m.

At St. Mary's Catholic Church there will be a solemn high mass at 5 o'clock, a second mass at 6:30 o'clock, and last mass and sermon at 10 o'clock. The latter will be followed by the benediction of the blessed sacrament. The collection tomorrow will be for the benefit of the orphans of the diocese of Richmond

GRACE CHURCH.

Holy communion, 7:30 a. m.

Morning Prayer and Holy communion, 11 a. m.

Procesional, "Oh come, all ye faithful.

Venite, by Millard.

Gloria for Psalms, by Cramer.

Te Deum, by Peck.

Jubilate, by Cramer.

Introit, "Shout the Glad Tidings."

Kyrie, chant, 356.

Gloria Tibi, Chant 380.

Hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Gloria, Chant 24.

Offertory Anthem, "We Have Seen His Star in the East, by Simper.

Sanctus, Chant 412.

Communion Hymn, 225.

Gloria in Exuelsis, Chant 438.

Nunce Dimittis, Chant 260.

Recessional, "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing.

Members of the choir: Miss Stella V. Moore, organist.

Mr. Wm. J. Wilkinson, director.

Mr. J. M. Duncan, Jr, crucifier.

Masters Norman Simpson, Harry Wilkinson, Kenneth Moore. Misses Susie Pulman, Florence Long, Phoebe J. Deahl, Bessie Phillips, Elsie Estes, Mary A. Entwisle, Norene Smith, Jennie Smith, Addie Smith, Rachel Smith, Harriett Spofford, Leslie Cox, Mrs. Brawner, Mrs. Wheat, Mrs. Chas. J. Deahl, Messrs. Wm. A. Ferguson, Charles Dobie, Chas. J. Deahl, and Frank T. King. The music will be repeated the Sunday after Christmas.

Sunday school Christmas tree exercises Friday night, the 26th.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Processional Hymn No. 49, "Adeste Fidelis."

Venite in F., Robyn.

Gloria Patri, Robyn.

Te Deum in E Flat, Schnecker.

Jubilate in E. Flat, Klein.

Introit Anthem, Hymn No. 53. "Shout the Glad Tidings," Brewer.

Kyrie Elrey

Gloria Tibi, Paxton.

Hymn No 59, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," Dykes.

Offertory Anthem, Sing, O Heavens," Gaul

Offertory Ascription, Doxology

Sanctus in E, Stainer

Hymn No 231.

Gloria in Excelsis, Old Chant.

Recessional Hymn No, 58. O Little Town of Bethlehem," Redner.

Choir—Soloists.—

Mrs. Elizabeth De Dier, soprano.

Mrs. Sherman B. Fowler, alto.

Mr. Wilbur Maddox, tenor.

Mr. Wilmer Waller, baritone.

Mr. Richard Wirt, bass.

Miss Caroline Kast, violinist.

Mr. Sherman B. Fowler, organist and director.

A Chorus of thirty voices.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Processional Hymn 53.

Venite 174, Gloria Patria, 174.

Te Deum, by W. O. Staples.

Jubilate, by Geo. Nevin.

Hymn 55.

Gloria Tibi, 387.

Hymn 59.

Offertory, O Holy Night, by Dwight,

Sanctus, 421, Garrett.

Hymn 225.

Gloria Excelsis, 438. Old Chant.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there,
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced through their heads;
And mamma in her kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap,
When out on the lawn arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new fallen snow,
Gave a luster of mid-day to objects below;
When what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick!
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name—
'Now, Dasher! Now, Dancer! Now Prancer! now Vixen!
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Donner and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall,
Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So up to the house-top, the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys and St. Nicholas, too.
And then in a twinkling, I heard on the roof,
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof;
As I drew in my head and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his feet,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.
His eyes how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry;
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath;
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook when he laughed like bowl full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump—a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself.
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He spake not a word but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his fingers aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle,
And I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night."

MERRY CHRISTMAS

DISASTROUS FIRE IN WASHINGTON

Five Men Caught in Collapse of Building at Early Hour This Morning.

NONE FATALLY HURT.

American Five and Ten Cent Store Gutted by Flames—Loss $60,000—Spectacular Blaze.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Buried for nearly three hours beneath tons of burning debris, five members of No. 6 engine company narrowly escaped death early today while fighting a stubborn fire in the American 5 and 10-cent store, 314-16 Seventh street, northwest. The men were working on the main floor of the building when, without warning, the three upper floors caved in. That they were not killed outright was due to the fact that the debris fell in such a manner that it left an open space about two feet from the floor, where the men remained while other firemen worked heriocaly, at the risk of their lives, to dig them out. The firemen caught by the falling floors were:

William A. Schwerdfeger, twenty-seven years old, bruised about back and cut on limbs.

Frank Hellmuth, thirty-two years old, cut on back, suffering from shock.

Cornelius Lanahan, thirty-five years old, suffering from shock and bruises about the body.

Frank M. Dyer, twenty-six years old, shock and contusions of back.

Clayton G. Birch, twenty-five years old, shock and bruises of body.

The firemen, all members of No. 6 engine company, were taken to the Emergency Hospital. The surgeons said that none of the men had been seriously hurt, and that all would probably be able to leave the hospital late today or tomorrow.

Following reports that four firemen had been killed and their bodies were stil in the ruins, members of the families and friends of the injured men flocked to the hospitals. Hysterical women, who thought their husbands, sons and brothers were dead, pleaded with the doctors to take them to the wards. Dr. Harry S. Lewis, the superintendent, and other doctors at the hospital assured the women that no one had been seriously hurt, and after they were quieted permitted them to visit the rooms where the injured men lay.

STEAMER ASHORE.

Life-Savers And Revenue Cutter go to Aid Vessel Near Norfolk.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 24.—An unknown steamer is ashore half a mile below Little Island. Life-savers and the revenue cutter Onandaga have gone to her assistance.

Life-savers have been unable to identify the vessel on account of a dense fog.

Little Island is 15 miles south of Cape Henry.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Iowa Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the company, No. 123 South Royal street, Alexandria, Va., January 13th, 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M.

CHARLES D. WALCOTT, Pres't.
A. M. McLACHLEN, Secretary.

Mr. William Treakle continues ill at his home on south Lee street.

NEWS OF THE DAY

The coffers of the Washington branch of a New York brokerage firm are short about $50,000, and the manager and a young woman formerly employed in the office as a confidential clerk are reported missing. It is understood that both the manager and his clerk had private accounts in a Washington bank and that account was to straighten out these accounts, with the funds of the office. After that they disappeared completely, taking the remainder of the company's money with them.

A few minutes after his wife, Edith E. Grimes, 36 years old, had refused to accept a gold watch and chain offered her last night as a Christmas gift and a peace token, Walter Grimes, 34, years old, of Highlandtown, near Baltimore, shot her under the heart and in the head. His wife's wounds, will, it is believed, prove fatal. He then fired a bullet through his own head and died a few minutes later.

Mrs. Ella Flagg Young was voted back into the superintendency of the Chicago public schools yesterday after a stormy session of the board of education. Seven members refused to vote on the ground that the board had no power to reconsider the election of John D. Shoop, assistant superintendent under Mrs. Young, who had been elected her successor. The action of the board in removing Shoop and replacing Mrs. Young, will at once be challenged in court, it was announced by the opposition.

A peculiar rattle from the inside of what appeared to be an innocent Christmas gift alarmed Mrs. John Taranto in New Orleans yesterday. She flung the package from her and ran. A moment later it exploded. Somebody had sent her a bomb through the mails and she released the percussion mechanism when she removed the outer cover. She reached another room in safety but the explosion did much damage to the house. A similar package, sent by messenger last year, Mrs. Taranto refused to receive.

The Erie Railroad has followed the lead set by the Pennsylvania and Reading in cutting down its force as a means toward retrenching on operating expenses. Six thousand men have been laid off from the shops, maintenance of way and other departments. "The decrease in tonnage," caused by the "closing down of mills and manufacturies at various points is the only explanation given.

President Wilson signed the Glass-Owen currency law at one minute after 6 o'clock last night. The measure provides for the reorganization of the currency system of regional reserve associations, to be controlled by a central government board at Washington, which, it is believed, will furnish a more elastic currency than is now the case and will go a long way toward the prevention of panics.

One hundred and fifty federal soldiers were killed yesterday when a troop train, convoying a passenger train en route to Tampico, Mexico, was dynamited by the rebels at Chargas Station, a few miles east of San Luis Potosi. None of the passengers were injured.

A dispatch from Hamburg says severe storm of the past two weeks have done great damage to shipping at Elbe ports. Fifty-two lives have been lost according to the latest advices.

Charles Budd Robinson, a botanist in the bureau of sciences, department of the Interior, Philippine Islands, has been killed by natives of Amboyna Island, Malay Archipelago. He had undertaken an expedition for the study of the flora of the island.

FEDERALS ADOPT WEYLER METHODS

Devastating Northern Mexico in Order to Oust Rebels.

USE GUERILLA TACTICS

Will Attempt to Cut Off Communication Between Villa's Troops and Their Base at Juarez.

Juarez, Mex., Dec. 24.—A flying wedge of federal troops swept into rebel territory today and adopted the tactics of guerilla warfare, began a campaign to destroy railroad bridges and telegraph lines according to rebel reports. The first act was to cut off communication between General Francisco Villa's 6,000 rebels at Chihuahua and the rebel base at Juarez. By pulling down telegraph wires south of Juarez, the federalists temporarily isolated Villa in Chihuahua, so far as direct communication was concerned.

The small federal band went out from Ojinaga, on the border, and was believed to have been commanded by General Inize Salazaar, who is well seasoned in guerilla warfare. The federal's plan, as understood by rebel chiefs, is to operate extensively over northern Mexico, and by working in circles to destroy all property that might be of use to the rebels, without engaging the later in a fight. According to report Salazaar's men were headed by the Casas Grandes district west of the railroad running from Juarez and were intending to burn houses and other property. In this district are located comparatively rich agricultural and grazing fields, cultivated by Mormon colonies. Most of the Mormons have left. The rebels believe that the federals will form nothing more that a fugitive band, destroying what property they can reach, and disappearing before they can be overtaken.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Fighting at Altamira, twenty miles from Tampico is reported to the State Department by Consul Miller at Tampico. Altamira is a town at which the rebels began their former operations against Tampico, so that the official dispatches confirm the recent news that the rebels had renewed the attack.

DANVILLE BANK APPLIES.

Directors Ready to Enter Federal Reserve Financial System.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The National Bank of Danville enjoys the distinction of the first Southern financial institution to file its application to become a member of the new federal reserve banking system. The treasury department has received a number of applications, only two coming from the South up to the present time.

H. C. Patton, cashier of the National Bank of Danville, wrote Secretary of Treasury McAdoo the following letter:

"I wish to advise that as our entire board of directors and officers are in thorough sympathy with the administration currency bill, which now seems nearing passage, we are anxious to secure a copy of the bill as soon after its passage as possible and voice our public approval by entering the new system as soon as possible."

New York—A rebellion in Ireland if the home rule bill was passed was predicted by the Duke of Manchester, who arrived here on the liner George Washington with the Duchess, who formerly was Helena Zimmerman of Cincinatti.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

There were no cases for trial in the Police Court this morning.

Mount Vernon will be open tomorrow as usual.

A meeting of the Agricultural, Poultry and Live Stock Association of Northern Virginia, wil be held at the office of Harry White on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Citizens' National Bank this morning the usual six per cent semi-annual dividend was declared.

A number of members of Alexandria Nest of Owls paid a fraternal visit to Washington last night.

The directors of the First National Bank met this morning and declared the usual semi-annual dividend of six per cent and a special dividend of three per cent.

The members of Old Dominion Commandery, Knights Templar, will meet in their asylum tomorow at noon and drink a Christmas toast to the Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States.

SNAKE IN COAT SINCE JULY.

Woman's Wrap Conceals Adder For Five Months.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 24.—Blakely, near here, has a real story, the story of a four-foot snake which lived in a light coat belonging to Mrs. Geo. Reese, of that place, from last July until Monday, when it was shot in the cellar of the Reese home, having bitten the woman.

It seem that one night last July Superintendent and Mrs. Reese drove over to Rocky Glen, and on return the horse acted queerly.

The couple had some light wraps with them. Upon their return Mrs. Reese hung the wraps in the closet. On Monday she took them out to air and hung them on the line, passing through the basement of the house on her way to the clothesline.

Returning through the basement she was horrified when she encountered a four-foot snake of the adder species. She will recover.

VIRGINIAN MADE JUDGE.

George C. Herring, Formerly of Harrisonburg, Honored in Florida.

Sanford, Fla., Dec. 24.—Hon. Geo. C. Herring, formerly of Harrisonburg, Va., has received a commission as county judge of Seminole county and resumed the duties of the office. The office of county judge has been closed for the past thirty days on account of the death of Judge Whitner and the business of the office has been transacted jointly by the county clerk and tax collector.

Judge Herring is a well-known jurist of Virginia, and has been a resident of Seminole for the past two years, being well and favorably known in the Old Dominion State and the State of his adoption.

WOMAN KILLS HUSBAND.

"Please Bury Me in a 98-Cent Gown" Request Left by Murderess.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 24.—Finishing up a week of tragedies, Cornelia Williams, colored, living at 725 Wide street, picked up an axe in the still hours of Sunday night, it is alleged, and crushed the skull of her husband, Isaac Williams. His body was found in a pool of blood on the bed where the murder was committed, and while the woman had fled she left a note in which she stated that she had committed suicide. She has not yet been located.

"I killed my husband because I loved him so. He was so mean to me and beat and kicked me so much that it was all on his account that I killed him," was what Cornelia Williams is said to have written in a note to her sister-in-law, Lovis Griffin.

In a note to a cousin the woman asked that her sister be telegraphed for at once, as she had ended her life and her husband's. She asked that her body be buried alongside that of her husband, and that half of the household goods and her clothing be given to her husband's niece. "And bury me in a 98-cent gown you will find in my house," was the closing paragraph of this letter.

Rome—The recovered art masterpiece "Mona Lisa," is on private exhibition in the Farnese Palace, where it has been viewed by many notables.

TO JOIN FEDERAL BANKING SYSTEM

Alexandria National Banks Will Make Aplication For Membership.

PLAN MEETS FAVOR.

Citizens' and Alexandria National Banks Take Action on Proposition —First National Will Follow.

All three of the Alexandria National banks, the First National, the Citizens' National and the Alexandria National, will immediately join the new Federal banking system and applications for membership will be made as soon as the necessary papers can be prepared.

The board of directors of the Citizens' National Bank met this morning at ten o'clock to take action on the proposition. A decision was reached to make immediate application for membership in the new system. The majority of the stockholders of the Alexandria National have already approved the plan and announcement to this effect made by T. C. Smith, vice-president of the institution.

The First National, which is the oldest national bank in the state, has not taken any definite action as yet, but there is no doubt of their action as soon as the directors meet.

According to the terms of the bill, which requires each member to subscribe to the stock of the regional bank six per cent of their capital and surplus, the First National with $100,000 capital and $150,000 surplus, will be required to subscribe $15,000; the Citizens' National, with $100,000 capital and $100,000 surplus, $12,000, and the Alexandria National with $100,000 capital and $25,000 surplus $7,500.

All of the Alexandria bankers are pleased at the passage of the bill and feel that while there are a number of imperfections in some of its provisions that the new law will have a very wholesome effect on business.

FACING WATER FAMINE.

In Event of Big Fire Petersburg Would be Helpless.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 24.—The continued dry spell, which has prevailed in this section for the last two years or more, is making the city's supply of water of serious concern. The water in the city's reservoir on yesterday was only seven feet in depth of a foot lower than it was a week ago, while the normal level is about twenty feet.

City Engineer Budd is hoping that early winter rains will be sufficient to carry the city through until the new cross-town main is completed. In the event, however, of a big fire the city's reservoir would be emptied in a very short time and the loss in some parts of the city on account of the low water pressure would evidently be heavy.

While last year was considered one of the best crop years that South side Virginia has had for a number of years the local rainfall was not sufficient to keep the streams in their normal condition. The Appomattox at this point is extremely low and where there would ordinarily be several feet of water, teamsters are now hauling away sand in great quantities.

XMAS GREETINGS.

As the end of another year approaches we desire to express to our customers and friends our very best wishes for a happy Christmas. The past year has been a prosperous one for us and we are especially grateful to all who have contributed to our success.

In accordance with the custom established when we commenced business our establishment will be closed tomorrow and Friday.

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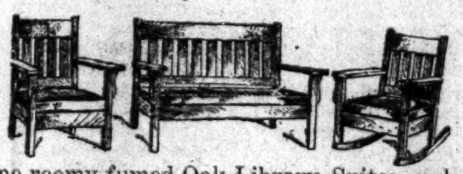

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Interesting News Notes About People of Alexandria-- Happenings in Society.

Miss Delia Phillips entertained the Five Hundred Club of which she is a member last evening at her home in south Washington street. The guests of the club were Misses Mary Snowden, Georgie French, Harriett Douglas, Mary Phillips, Messrs. Eugene Lindsey, Rodney Brumback, Howland Gary. The club members present were Misses Anna Barley, Julia Boswell, Roxie Doniphan, Lucy Webb, Messrs Frazier Baldwin, Keith Carlin, Walter Foster, Douglas Lindsey, Dr. Vivian P. Berry.

Mr. George W. Brent, of the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Brent, in north Columbus street.

Mrs. T. F. Ellis, of Mount Vernon, is spending the holiday season with her sister, Mrs. F. C. Rydstrom, in St. Loius, Mo.

Miss Oeta Hsrover, of Henderson, Iowa, who has been the guest of her uncle, Mr. T. F. Ellis, at Mount Vernon, has gone to Ohio to visit relatives.

The Misses Fawcett have issued invitations to a tea for Tuesday, December 30th, from four to six o'clock in honor of Miss Marian Nelson.

Miss Marian Nelson is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. Johnston Downey in Prince street.

Miss Kathryn Carper, of Fredericksburg, wil be the guest for the holidays of Misses Jessie Crump and Miss Martha Hancock, of this city.

Waller Ordered on Duty.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Colonel Littleton W. T. Waller, United States Marine corps, has been detailed for personal inspection duties at the Norfolk-marine barracks pending the selettion of a successor to General Wm. P. Biddle as commandant of the marine corps.

Colonel Waller's regular detail is commandant of the marine barracks at Mare Island, California. The fact that he has been sent to Norfolk, his old home, is regarded as a favorable indication that he will be chosen by President Wilson to succeed Colonel Biddle.

President Wilson will not take up the matter of appointing a commandant of the United States Marine corps until he returns from his trip South.

Spend $4,000 For Holiday Visits.

Lynchburg, Dec. 24.—More than $4,000 went into the coffers of the three railways centering here from the sale of tickets to nearly five hundred Randolph-Macon Woman's College girls who left the college for the Christmas holidays. Many of the students from remote states went home with students who live nearby, but not a few traveled as far as Texas and Missouri to spend holiday vacations with home folks.

CELEBRATIONS PLANNED

Sunday Schools of Alexandria Arrange For Their Christmas Entertainments

Arrangements have been completed by the various Sunday Schools of Alexandria for their Christmas entertainments and the following dates are announced:

Grace Episcopal Church, Friday night, December 26th at 7:30 p. m.

Christ Episcopal Church, Wednesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Wednesday afternoon, December 24th, at 4:00 p. m.

Second Presbyterian Church, Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Southern Methodist Church, Friday, December 26th at 7:30 p. m., for the main school, and Saturday, December 27th, at 3:00 p. m., for primary and beginners' grade.

Trinity M. E. Church, Tuesday, December 30th, at 7:30 p. m.

Methodist Protestant Church, Tuesday, December 30th, at 7:30 p. m.

Second Baptist Church, Tuesday, December 30th at 7:30 p. m.

First Baptist Church, Tuesday, December 30th, at 8:00 o'clock.

Emanuel Lutheran Church, Tuesday, December 25th at 7:30 p. m.

FUNERAL.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Sarah Purvis, widow of William Purvis, who died yesterday morning, took place this morning from her home, 711 Prince St. Services were conducted by Rev. P. P. Phillips, rector of St. Paul's church. The body was sent to Mobile, Ala., for burial.

FALLS WITH LAMP TO DIE.

Clayton, Del., Dec. 24.—Dying from burns caused by falling down stairs with a lighted lamp at her home, shortly after midnight Monday, was the fate of Mrs. Robt. N. Pippin, wife of a Delaware railroad engineer. No one saw the occurence, and it is supposed that Mrs. Pippin, who was subject to fainting spells, had attempted to go down stairs, when she was seized and that the lamp fell and set fire to her clothing, as well as the carpet around her. She evidently beat out the fire on the carpet, before she lost consciousness, thus saving the house.

A neighbor heard her moans and hastened to the house, finding her burned almost to a crisp. She was about 50 eyars of age and is survived by a husband and one son.

NOTICE.

The Citizen's National Bank.
Alexandria, Dec. 24, 1913.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of this Bank, held this day, a semi-annual dividend of 6% was declared, payable on and after January 2, 1914, to stockholders of record of December 31, 1913.

RICHARD M. GREEN, Cashier.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK. of Alexandria, Va.

At the regular meeting of the Board of directors held this day, the regular semi-annual dividend of six per cent. was declared, and a special dividend of three per cent, payable on or after January 2nd., 1914.

GEORGE E. WARFIELD, Cashier.

LATEST PREPARATIONS

Usual Busy Scenes on Christmas Eve—Final Purchases for Tomorrow

The rainy and disagreeable weather of Tuesday passed away during the night, and conditions today have been more comfortable for the last day of Christmas shopping. The bulk of purchases, however, in the majority of cases, were made several days ago, and to the many the bulk of what can be afforded is generally procurdd the day or night before Chirstmas.

There was an abundant supply of turkeys in market this morning, most of which were fine specimens. The cool weather had made prices firm, and figures were unchanged from yesterday—28 cents a pound for the better varieties.

The stock of Christmas trees in the market court had been augmented considerably today. Nearly all the space was utilized in the display. They were not moving fast, however.

The benches of many country people contained cedar and holly wreaths, festoons and streamers for home decorations. They had been arranged tastefully and artistically and were being disposed of rapidly.

There were fine displays of Christmas meats which were being sold at former prices, and all seasonable vegetables were in evidence.

The market will remain open throughout the day, but will be closed tomorrow.

GLASS BOOMED FOR LEADER.

Mentioned as Successor of Oscar Underwood in the House.

Washington, Dec. 24.—A movement to make Representative Carter Glass, of Virginia, co-author of the Glass-Owen Banking and Currency act, Democratic leader of the House when Oscar W. Underwood retires at the end of his present term has been quietly launched at the Capitol. Behind the movement are men who declare that Mr. Glass has established himself a potential leader in the house by the vigor, tact and resourcefulness with which he directed the fight for the reform currency legislation in the face of many delicate and stormy obstacles.

There are now two aspirants for the Democratic leadership in the event Mr. Underwood retires. They are Representative Claude Kitchin, ranking member on the Ways and Means Committee, and Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, of Pennsylvania, who is chairman of the Democratic caucus. It is reported that Mr. Palmer may withdraw from the race, and when this became noised about today the friends of Mr. Glass became active.

ESCAPED FROM JESSUPS.

A man, who gave his name as Frank Webb, applied at the station house last night for lodging. It was later ascertained that Webb had escaped from a road gang at Jessups Cut, Md., near Washington. He is being held for the action of the Maryland authorities.

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NEWS OF THE OLD DOMINION

DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

tle Girl Struck by Street Car, Has Bth Legs Crushed.

Lynchbug, Va., Dec. 24.—Yetta nowitz, little 6-year-old Jewish l, was nn over by a street car at corne of Twelfth and Clay eets abut 8:30 o'clock Monday ht, both her legs being crushed badly fom the knees down that it s foun necessary to amputate m.

Several persons who were nearby en the accident happened stated t the car was running slowly and t the motorman was loudly clang- his bell. A policeman, who was hin thirty feet of the car at the e, saw the child's mother, who had baby in a carriage, cross the cks just in front of the car. The t he saw was little Yetta strug- g under the cruel wheels. It is sumed that she attempted to fol- her mother cross the tracks, but late. The child, it is said, did not in front of the car, but ran into car and fell beside the tracks, in struggling to get up stuck her across the tracks, the rear wheels the car catching them and crush- them from the knees down.

COLORED MAN MURDERED.

o Boys Are Held for Killing Robert Dabney, Negro Miser.

Etna Mills, Va., Dec. 24.—Vernel l and "Mat" Albest, aged, respec- ely, 15 and 14, were taken before gistrate Campbell Saturday on charge of murdering Robert Dab- y, an aged negro, on the night of cember 12. The body was found the woods 200 yards from Dabney's me, where he was murdered, hav- been dragged to the place in the ods by a cow.

The evidence given was of such a ture as to cause the two boys to lodged in the county jail to await grand jury. Randal and Edmund bney, aged 15 and 10 grandsons the victims, were previously taken to custody, though Edmund has en released, he having implicated ll and Albert, and at the same ne established his own innocence. Dabney lived with his grandchild- n and had very little to do with oth- s of his race. He had been a slave d belonged to the Eubank estate. Sunday afternoon, December 14, hen the boys notified the neighbors at Dabney had disappeared, P. B. ubank, his former master and hers went in search of him, notify- g the local authorities Monday orning. They continued their arch, finding the body in the woods d discovering that it had been drag- d there by a cow.

Dabney was a hard worker and by ing something of a miser had ved a considerable sum of money. hether his murderers secured his oney is not known.

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DIES OF HER BURNS.

Sad Tragedy Saturday at Bedford City.

Bedford City, Va., Dec. 24.—One of the most distressing and pathetic deaths ever known here is that of Mary, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Blankinship, which occurred at their home on Peaks street Sunday evening about 7 o'clock, death resulting from severe burns the little girl sustained Saturday afternoon, while playing in the garden of her home.

She lighted some tall, dry grass and while sporting round the blaze in childish glee her dress of some light cotton fabric was blown by the breeze toward the fire and ignited. Fanned by the wind, she was soon all ablaze and ran in terror to her mother, who was in the house. Mrs. Blankinship sought to beat out the fire with her hands and was herself very seriously burned, but unmindful of her own suffering she tried to catch up a rug in which to envelop the child, but frenzied with terror and agony, Mary eluded her and ran into the yard, seeming like a light torch. A colored woman on the place seized her and carried her to the hydrant, turning on the water; but all too late, for the fire had burned too deep, and after twenty-four hours of great suffering the death angel came to her release.

TWO MEN DROWN.

Joseph Kennedy and C. A. McLaughlin Meet Death in Appomattox River.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 24.—Joseph Kennedy, said to be from Albany, N. Y., and C. A. McLaughlin, of Lynchburg, were drowned in the Appomattox river yesterday evening, and a third man, H. W. Belden, of White Plains, N. Y., had a narrow escape from death. The three men had been drinking freely and they decided to go down to the wharf. McLaughlin stumbled and fell into the river. A colored man on a barge threw a rope to him at the same time calling to Kenedy and Belden to assist him. Kennedy reached down with his hand to assist in pulling McLaughlin in, and was pulled into the river. Belden, in attempting to prevent Kennedy from being pulled into the river, fell in himself. As it was very dark, it was impossible to aid the three men, and before assistance could be gotten Kennedy and McLaughlin were drowned. Belden clung to the rope and was saved.

The bodies of Kennedy and McLaughlin were recovered.

At 6 o'clock on Christmas morning there will be held the customary early morning service. The pastor, Rev. G. A. Luttrell, will lead the service and make a short address, also Christmas carols will be sung. This early morning service has been a feature of the church for a number of years.

DIES FROM HIS INJURIES.

Assistant Now Faces Charge of Murdering Coal Dealer.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 24.—J. W. Rainey, 46 years old, a coal dealer, who was assaulted, it was alleged, by A. W. Thompson, who lives on the Meedowbrook road Henrico county, on Saturday morning at Brook Avenue and Leigh street, died from his injuries last night at 10:02 o'clock at Stuart Circle Hospital. As soon as the police were notified of his death, Detective Sergeant Wiltshire was detailed to rearrest Thompson on the charge of murder. Thompson was arraigned in Police Court yesterday morning on the charge of felonious assault, but his hearing went over and he was released under $1,000 bond.

Friends of Rainey say that the attack upon him was unprovoked. It was learned that the two men quarreled over a business transaction, and Thompson is accused of having struck Rainey over the head with some sharp instrument.

Thompson met Rainey while he was driving a wagon. He stopped, and the argument began which ended in the attack. Rainey fell to the street and Thompson jumped into his wagon and drove rapidly away.

ROBBERIES IN RICHMOND.

Richmond, Dec. 24.—More robberies have been reported to the police. C. W. Baughan, of 600 North Twenty-seventh street, complained that his pockets were picked of $685 in the vicinity of the Sixth Street Market. The money, he said, represented the major portion of the proceeds from a sale of a piece of property in Cumberland county.

Aubrey Chambliss was also relieved of $14.65 by pickpockets.

Mrs. George Cummings was the victim of a purse snatcher, who got away with her handbag containing $3 while she was shopping on Broad street.

W. C. Moody reported that a thief got through his cellar window and secured $4 in cash which had been left on the mantelpiece in the dining room. Nothing else was molested. The home of Margaret Wood, 1417 East Broad stret, was also entered by a thief who got away with $40 in currency and a gold watch valued at $10.

W. J. Wood complained that three white men tried to hold him up at Twenty-fifth and P streets while he was en route home Monday night. He frightened off the robbers by brandishing a pistol himself.

Burglars sometime Monday night entered the millinery establishment of M. Crighton, at 113 East Broad Street, and secured $500 from the safe after knocking off the knob and then displacing the tumblers by means of a wedge and wire.

With the currency bill out of the way, both the senate and the House adjourned yesterday, the former at 3:56 P. M., and the latter at 3:11 o'clock to meet again January 12 at noon.

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In accordance with an old custom the Alexandria Gazette will not be published tomorrow and our employes will be given an opportunity to enjoy a well earned holiday. We extend to our subscribers and advertisers our best wishes for a very happy Christmas.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ONE AND ALL.

Christmas, with all its hallowed memories, is again upon us, and wherever the cross has been planted tomorrow will be celebrated with a mingling of the sacred and joyous. Over nineteen hundred years have elapsed since the babe who was to revolutionize the religious world was lying in a hostelry in Bethlehem, watched over by angels, although attracting little of the attention of the guests who had pre-empted all the accomodations of the inn until there was no place for the heaven-born child but a manger.

From the dawn of history man has been feeling after the invisible. The powers and influences of the unseen world were apparent to the ancients as they are to us. All thinking people realized then that superior beings exisected somewhere, and men were ceasing to believe they dwelt upon Mount Olympus, in fabled groves or enchanted books. They studied the heavens, watched the planets and constellations and imagined the Milky Way was a highway of the Gods. It was, however all speculation—nothing tangible—and imaginative people continued to dream of dieties with passions likened unto their own. Thoughtful souls were still thinking of the vast unknown when the first Christmas morn broke upon the world and the star in the east glittered with angelic Choristers announced the birth of the Prince of Peace.

We are told that centuries ago Christopher Columbus peered out upon the pathless Atlantic and was convinced there was another world. So man, since he was placed upon the earth, has involuntarily turned his eyes to the starry heavens and looked for other orbs and superior beings. Sadducees, agnostics of other days, had failed to stifle this belief when the angel chorus announced the mingling again of the heavenly and earthly. The divinities of the Acropolis have not a single worshipper today, while the babe of Bethlehem has proven more powerful than Sampson in the temple of Dagon. The altars of classic days have long since crumbled while the teachings of the Holy One of Israel are acknowledged wherever civilization exists.

There are many joys incident to the anniversary of His birth, while there is much in the spiritual line profitable to the soul. Tomorrow should reproduce to all the history of the babe of Bethlehem. There are many who are prone through affectation of learning to use the terms "Ecce Homo" when calling attention to Him. The great majority, however, in the honesty of their souls prefer to say Ecce Deus Homo."

HOW TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS.

The Page Valley Record says:

"Christmas is almost here again, the season that is intended for rejoicing. Let us all bear in mind, so far as possible. The full significance of the observance of Christmas, remembering that it is observed in commemoration of the birth of Christ, and should be kept in a manner that would please Him, and not in a boisterous, rowdy way. The best way in our judgment, to get the very most real pleasure out of Christmas and at the same time to honor Him whose birthday we celebrate is to do good to others, not necessarily to give presents, for some of us cannot afford that, but we can, by even little acts of kindness that will scatter sunshine in the paths of others, some of whom may not be so fortunate as we are. Those of us who can afford to give, let us not forget the poor, for acts of kindness are worth even more to one who renders the kindness than to the recipient. Let us not celebrate the anniversary of Him who was the embodiment of all that was good and temperate by the unholy gratification of our appetites and acts of rowdyism."

POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

Yeggmen Get Away With $1,000 in Stamps and Money.

Mt. Gilead, N. C., Dec. 24.—Burglars entered the postoffice here sometime Saturday night and stole $700 worth of stamps and $300 in cash. The burglary was discovered Sunday morning when the office was opened, and it was supposed to have been committed sometime between midnight and 4 o'clock in the morning.

So far there is absolutely no clue as to who the maruders were, but it is believed they are the same who have been entering other North Caroline offices the past few weeks. The job was neatly done and the only evidences discovered were not of a nature to lead to an identity of the parties.

It is thought the yeggmen came in on the late train at night, getting off at some point near this place and waited until a suitable time to commit their act.

At frequent intervals yeggmen have been visiting North Carolina towns in the past few months, first at Kernersville, then at Charlotte, Gastonia and Terrell, and later at points in the eastern part of the State It is believed they belong to a crowd of experts who have made a practice of the busines for a long time throughout the country

IMPROVEMENTS FOR NORFOLK.

Col. E E Winslow Recommends Expenditure of $1,000,000 to Widen and Deepen Channel.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—It is believed that Lieut-Col. Winslow, U. S. army engineer in charge of the district including Norfolk and Newport News, has made a favorable report on a survey authorized by the last Congress with a view to increasing the width of the channel of the harbor of Norfolk and Portsmouth and providing additional anchorage space therein.

It is said that this report recommends the widening of the channels of the harbors of Norfolk and Portsmouth and Newport News and the dredging of additional anchorage space in the harbor of Norfolk, and that the total estimated cost of the improvements is over $1,000,000, nearly three-fourths of which would be spent on the Norfolk and Portsmouth projects.

Relieved of $301.

Norfolk, Va., Dec 24.—That the "old sock" is not as safe a money bag as it is cracked up to be, was very forcibly shown by J. M. Calvery of Prentis Place, Portsmouth, last night, when his sock containing $301 was lifted from his pockets and made away with by a negro woman. Calvery came to the Second precinct Police Station early yesterday morning and reported that he had been trimmed of the above amount.

Calvery said he had walked out Princess Anne Avenue taking in the sights and was standing at a letter box near Church Lewis' place, when he said a negro woman ran up behind him and stole the sock and money from his hip pocket. He reported that his silver watch was also stolen.

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8:47 A. M.—Daily—Local for Harrisonburg and way stations. Buffet parlor car.

9:07 A. M.—Daily—U. S. Fast Mail stops only for passengers to points south to which scheduled to stop. First class coaches; Sleeping cars to Birmingham and New Orleans. Dining car service. Stops at Calverton to let off Warrenton branch passengers.

11:17 A. M.—Daily—Mail train, coaches for Manassas, Warrenton, Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville and Greensboro. Sleeping cars from Greensboro to Atlanta.

4:22 P. M.—Week day—limited for Warrenton, Charlottesville and Harrisonburg.

4.52 P. M., Daily — Birmingham Special. Sleeping cars between New York, Atlanta, Columbus, Anniston, Birmingham. Through first class coaches between Washington, Atlanta, and Birmingham, Dining car service. Tourist to California six times weekly.

3:52 P. M.—Week day. Limited for Harrisonburg and way stations on Manassas branch, also for Warrenton. Pullman Buffet parlor cars.

5:12 P. M.—Daily—Local for Warrenton.

6:12 P. M.—The Southern's Southeastern Limited, for Asheville, Columbia, Charleston, Aiken, Augusta, Savannah and Jacksonville. Through Pullman Drawing room sleeping cars, coaches, dining cars.

10:27 P. M.—Daily—Washington and Chattanooga Limited (via Lynchburg.) First class coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga. Sleeper to New Orleans, Washington to Roanoke. Dining car service.

11:02 P. M.—Daily—New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train. Club and observation car to New Orleans. Sleeping cars to Asheville, Atlanta, Macon and New Orleans. Sleeping cars to Charlotte. Dining car service.

4:27 A. M.—Daily—Memphis special. Sleeping car and coaches for Roanoke, Knoxville, Nashville, Chattanooga, and Memphis. Dining Car service. Washington sleeping cars open 10 p. m.

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W. P. TAYLOR, Traffic. Mgr.

Stockholders Meeting of the American Rutile Company of Virginia.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the American Rutile Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 111 South Fairfax St., Alexandria Virginia, on Monday, the 5th day of January, 1914, from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock P. M., for the election of directors, and for the transaction of such other business as can be lawfully considered

The transfer books will be closed for 10 days prior to the 5th day of January.

W. M. SLATER, Prest.
ALBERT HARPER, Secty. and Treas.

Notice of Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Alexandria National Bank will be held in the office of the banking house at the corner of King and Royal streets, in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, on the 13th day of January 1914, at 11-12 o'clock, for the election of Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

14 30t. T. C. SMITH, Cashier.

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Mecco Chocolates, 5 lbs. box $1.25
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SANTA MAKES A TRIAL TRIP

IT was a week until Christmas. Santa Claus was at the height of his work. All the toys were done and everything in place. The reindeer were in such fine trim and dreadfully for exercise I think I'll take them out for a trial run today," said he.

So saying, Santa hurried to his stables. There the reindeer were showing their impatience to be out in the open, and Santa gave orders to his stable elves to hitch up the steeds to the sleigh, as he meant to give the good animals a little exercise.

"They need a race now and then," he said. "Otherwise they'd get stiff kneed and would feel clumsy when trying to gallop over shifting clouds and ragged treetops and uneven roofs."

After the ride of several hours Santa cried out to his reindeer:

"Now to earth, my good fellows. And don't lag. We must be there just as the dark is falling over the land. If we wait till the moon comes out we'll be seen, and that would never do."

As the darkness settled over the land old Santa dropped from a fleecy cloud to the top of a tall church steeple. There he got out of his sleigh, told his reindeer not to move from that steeple and made his descent to the roof of a convenient house. And past the windows of hundreds of homes he darted, peeping into them and counting the new faces he saw for the first time.

"Lots of new little ones," he said to himself, smiling. "God bless them all. Well, they keep me busy throughout the year. And they are increasing so rapidly that I'll have to take several hundred assistants next year."

Then Santa returned to the high church steeple, and as he was getting into his sleigh the aged bell ringer, accompanied by his grandson of ten, came out of the church with a lantern in his hand. The little grandson looked up and cried out to his grandfather:

"Oh, lookee, grandpa, there in the sky! It's Santa Claus and his reindeer. See them flying! Oh, now they are gone—clean through that white cloud over the church. Oh, grandpa, did you see them?"

"No, my son, and neither did you. Your mind is so full of Christmas just

SANTA PEEPED INTO HOUSES.

now that you see things mentally. You just imagined that Santa and his reindeer were over the church. Why, it wants a whole week before Christmas, sonny, and Santa never comes till Christmas eve. Come along and don't imagine things like that any more." And the aged bell ringer swung his lantern and led the way along the snow covered path to his home, his little grandson, Sammy, following. But in Sammy's heart was a feeling that he had not imagined seeing Santa. He felt the thing had been real. "He was just peeping round to see where the good children live and getting acquainted with the chimneys," said Sammy to himself. "But grandpa is too old to understand. He hasn't cared about Santa for many, many years. But I do, oh, I do. And how I should love to slip away up into the church tonight and visit Santa's realm! But that would be impossible. It is not intended for boys to get off the earth, so Santa comes to them."

Just then Sammy's grandmother opened the kitchen door for them, and as Sammy entered the good old lady stooped and kissed him, saying:

"I got a letter from your cousins, Mabel and Ted, saying they were coming to spend Christmas with us and that they had written Santa Claus of the change of their address so that he could fetch their gifts here—along with yours. Bless his heart."

Also Sammy knew that Santa would do as his cousins asked him to, although grandpa laughed at the idea as a piece of nonsense, good wife children should not believe such silly tales as that. Sammy knew a thing or two that grandpa did not know.

Norfolk Fried Oysters at Rammels Cafe.

Suggestions for Christmas Gifts of Jewelery and Kindred Articles

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LaVallieres $2.75 to $20.00
Brooches..25c to $50.00
Belt Pins ..25c to $4.00
Hat Pins ..25c to $2.00
Cuff Buttons, 25c to $5.00
Rings .$1.50 to $250.00
Manicure Sets $4.00 to $9.00
Toilet Sets $5.50 to $18.00
Jewelry Cases $1.50 to $5.00
Salve Jars 25c to $1.25
Mesh Bags $2.50 to $11.00
Back Combs $1.50 to $3.75

For Men and Boys.

Watch ..$1.00 to $50.00
Chain ....25c to $25.00
Fob ....25c to $16.00
Charms $1.00 to $40.00
Cuff Buttons 25c to $21.00
Scarf Pins 25c to $25.00
Tie Clasps, 25c to $4.00
Studds .. 25c to $10.00
Ring .$1.50 to $250.00
Emblem Pin or Button .. 25c to $2.50
Cigarette Cases .....$6.00 to $9.00
Match Boxes $1.50 to $2.75
Silver Pencils 25c to $1.50
Tooth Picks $1.00 to $2.00
Comb and Brush Sets .....$3.00 to $10.00
Military Sets $3.50 to $13.00
Shaving Sets $2.75 to $6.25

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Cut Glass, Tumblers, Nappies, Bowls, Vases, &c., Sterling Silver and Silver Plated Knives, Forks, Spoons Ladles, Etc. Also Tea Sets, Candelabra, Plateau Mirrors, Vacuum Bottles, Butter Dishes, Fern Dishes, Clothes Brushes, Whisk Brooms, &c.

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ICELAND FOX Sets, worth $25 (only few to go at) $10
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ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of C. H. Madella, deceased, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make prompt settlement with the undersigned, and all persons to whom said estate is indebted are requested to present their accounts, properly certified, for payment.

FLORENCE DAVIS MADELLA.
Administratrix.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

The Citizens National Bank, Alexandria, Va., December 13, 1913.

The annual meeting of stockholders of this bank for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting, will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January the 13th, 1914, at 12 o'clock noon.

RICHARD M. GREEN, Cashier.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Laura B. Blunt, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make settlement with me, and all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present the same to me properly verified for payment.

CHAS. T. BLUNT, Adm'r.
16 109 S. Fayette St.

FOR SALE—Several fresh milk cows and springers. James W. Micol, R. F. D No. 3. Bell phone 473 J 4, or apply Duncan's Stables, Alexandria. 15-3t.

We have 100 loads of good foundry cinders that we will give away for the hauling. Apply to the Alexandria Iron Works, Royal and Wilkes street. 17-3t.

WANTED—an unfurnished flat on 1st or 2nd floor by February 1st. Address W. L., care Gazette. 12 6t

Stockholder's Meeting.

Notice: The annual meeting of the Ontario Apartment House Company for the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business will be held at the office of the company, No. 123 South Royal street, Alexandria, Va., January 13, 1914, at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

CHAS. D. WALCOTT, Prest.
A. M. McLachlen, Secty.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Liberty Cartridge Co., will be held at the office of the Company, No. 107 N. Fairfax street, Alexandria, Va., on Friday, January 9, 1914, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the election of officers and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

16-t d E. M. FUNK, Prest.

FOR RENT—A comfortable flat in northwest part of town, 5 rooms and bath. Rent reasonable. Apply C. Shirley Leachman, Payne and Queen streets. 22-6t.

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White Leghorns, 50c 75c $1 each.
White Plymouth Rocks, $1.50 each.
White Orpingtons, $1.50 each.
B. GIRLING, at Lloyd's Station.
19 3t.

LOST— Yesterday between St. Paul's Sunday school and Gibbon street, a fourth year Sunday school pin. Finder please return to Alexandria Gazette.

FOR RENT—Three or four nice rooms near electric car station. Apply 236 North West St. 19 3t

FOR SALE—Doors, Sash and mantlepieces (two slate) cheap. Apply at 203 north Columbus street, or 611 Cameron street. 19 3t

FOR SALE.—One of the best established and most profitable newspaper, tobacco and stationery stands in the city. Will sacrifice owing to other business which requires my time. Excellent chance for live man. Address P. O. Box 268. 4 J

FOR RENT.—Store room, corner Columbus and Princess streets. Good business location. Moderate rent to good tenant. Apply at 518 Duke street. 16 3t

Stockholders' Meeting.

Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Washington Asphalt Block and Tile Company, will be held at 107 North Fairfax street, Alexandria, Va., January 12th, 1914, at two o'clock, P. M., to elect a board of directors and to transact other business.

R. HARRISON JOHNSON,
12-13 President.

NOTICE.

Alexandria, Va., December 12th, 1913.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank, will be held at their banking house in Alexandria, Virginia, on Tuesday, January 13th, 1914, at twelve o'clock noon, for the election of directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier.

FOR SALE—Cheap—one Cary Iron safe. For particulars apply 1213 King street. 4

WANTED—Girls to work on winding, doubling and spinning. New hands paid $3.50 per week; experienced hands, $4.50 to $7.00 per week. Apply at Klots Silk Mill, corner Pitt and Wilkes street.

LOST—One black horse mule three or four weeks ago near Langley, Va., weighs 1050 to 1100 pounds, and is about 12 years old. Notify Reliable Horse and Mule Co., 212 14th St., N. W., Washington, D. C. 5

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NEXT WEEK—Seats Now—Mr. Winthrop Ames presents the brilliant Comedy by Arnold Bennett, "THE GREAT ADVENTURE," Based on his Novel "Buried Alive," with Lyn Harding and Janet Beecher.

Solemn pageantry and expression of deep grief yesterday attended the funeral services for the late Cardinal Rampoila in St. Peter's Cathedral, Rome. The funeral even eclipsed that of the late Cardinal Oreglia, dean of the Sacred College. The mighty cathedral was thronged and it seemed that all of the Roman Catholics in Rome had turned out, so great was the crowd. The body was conveyed from St. Peter's to the vatican cemetery, where another brief service was held, after which it was buried in the Campo Santo of the Church of St. Cecilia.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Meeting of Literary Society—Pupils Out For The Holidays.

When the Sophomores returned to school Monday they found their room full of Christmas spirit. A Christmas tree covered with ornaments stood at one side of the room. The blackboards, picture frames, and all available space was decorated with holly and green cedar and things suggesting Yuletide. Even Old Santa was drawn upon one of the blackboards, and remained there until Tuesday at noon, when the pupils left school for the holidays.

The other classes coming in and continually taking ornaments from the tree, with which to decorate their rooms, took just a little of the grandeur and splendor away.

A meeting of the A. H. S. Literary Society was held at 7:30 last night in the school building. The regular meeting of Saturday had been postponed until that time. The declamations were, "Antony's Oration over the dead body of Caesar," given by Tupper Barrett, "The Statue in Clay," by Waller Barretet, and "Napoleon's Address to his Soldiers," by Ashby Bladen. The subject for debate was; "Resolved: That Monday is preferable to Saturday as a school holiday." The debaters were: Affirmative, Miss Helen Blake and Elvin Brawner. Negative, Miss Dolly Callahan and Albert Bryan. The decision of the judges was in favor of the negative. This debate was said to be the closest and hardest to decide that the Literary Society has had.

The next regular meeting, which comes during the holidays, was postponed until the tenth of January. At that time the Critic will have a drill in declamation among the boys, who will all have the same lines to learn and declaim. Later on, a drill in false argument will be had.

The High School will welcome the return of Tom Wattles to school after the holidays. He is greatly improved now, and will be able to come back after the holidays.

The attention of the principal and several teachers was engrossed in the collection of Red Cross stamp money and unsold stamps. Over $65 or $70 in seals were sold by the pupils.

The weather was a little dismal for the commencement of the holidays, but such things at that do not enter the pupils' minds when they think of the long time in which they are free from books and the good times they will have Christmas Day.

The Sophomore team has been advancing in the class basketball team standing. They defeated the Third Year team Monday. Hope is expressed for their steady advancement. At present one of the Freshmen teams is leading in the standing.

Everyone hopes that nothing such as this will happen to the pupils on Christmas Eve:

'Twas the night before Christmas,
and all through the house
One creature was stirring, and that
was a mouse.
The stockings that hung by the chimney with care
He'd nibbled the toes of them, pair
after pair.
He ate all the candy, six candy
canes, too;
Not a morsel was left when the
mouse had got through.
The moral of which—if you know
what a sight is
A mouse that has perished of acute
gastritis—
That Christmas itself may be called
into question
If carried so far it creates indigestion.

This being the last time that the High School Notes will appear until after the holidays, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year is wished to the Alexandria High School pupils, and sincere hope is expressed for their having a good time during the holidays.

NEGRO BADLY WOUNDED.

Stabbed While in Greek Restaurant in Danville

Danville, Va., Dec. 24.—Henry Johnson, a negro employed as a railroad hand, was desperately wounded Monday night in a Greek restaurant on Craghead street, supposedly by Bud Williamson, a notorious character, who managed to make his escape. The cutting occurred at a quarter before midnight in what is known as the Baltimore Cafe where William[illegible] Johnson had [illegible] talking. Tom Kero, the Greek in charge of the establishment at the time declared that there appeared to be no quarrel between the men but suddenly he heard a commotion and saw Johnson sink to the floor with hand to his body. Williamson seeing that the Greek was between him and the door darted past him smashed the glass door panel and dashed the door in the Greek's face as he came after him. He almost wrecked the entire front of the restaurant in his violent effort to escape. Kero proved game however, and gave chase to Williamson who, fleet of foot, quickly outstripped his pursuer and turned up Loyal street.

The Greek upon returning found Johnson with a terrible wound in his abdomen lying on the restaurant floor. Police officers arrived in the meantime and instituted a search for Williamson. Johnson was placed in a hack and removed to a doctor's office where he received attention.

Police officers early yesterday morning received word that a negro answering Williamson's description had been seen to board a northbound train and word was sent to Lynchburg police department in order that steps might be taken there to arrest him if found.

DON'T OVERLOOK THIS.

A Careful Perusal Will Prove Its Value to Every Alexandria Reader.

The average man is a doubter, and there is little wonder that this is so. Misrepresentations make people skeptics. Now-a-days the public ask for better evidence than the testimony of strangers. Here is proof which should convince every Alexandria reader.

Miss Harriett Johnson, 207 Queen street, Alexandria, Va., says: "For two years I had a lot of trouble from my back. As long as I kept still I got along all right, but as soon as I began to work, I was bothered terribly by backache. A neighbor gave me a box of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured from Leadbeater & Sons drug store, and they cured me. I have had no symptoms of kidney complaint during the past few years. I willingly confirm my former endorsement."

The above statement must carry conviction to the mind of every reader. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mrs. Johnson had—the remedy backed by home testimony. 50c all stores. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, Props.

"When your back is lame—remember the name." 22

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Laforge, of Fair Oaks, near Middletown, N. Y., are mourning the loss of their twenty-second child, which was born on Sunday. Mr. Laforge is seventy-two years of age and his wife is forty-six. Mr. Laforge has been the father of twenty-seven children, he having been married twice and having had five children by his first wife.

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